

NATIONAL ARMORIES—OPERATIONS IN 1835.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

TRANSMITTING

*Statements in relation to the operations of the National Armories in the year 1835.*

JULY 2, 1836.

Read, and laid upon the table.

WAR DEPARTMENT, July 1, 1836.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit a report of the Colonel of Ordnance, furnishing the information called for by the act of Congress concerning armories, dated April 2d, 1794.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

LEWIS CASS.

HON. JAMES K. POLK,

*Speaker of the House of Reps.*

ORDNANCE OFFICE,

Washington, June 30, 1836.

SIR: In pursuance of an act of Congress concerning armories and arsenals, passed April 2d, 1794, I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a statement of the expenditures at the National armories, and of the arms, &c. made therein, during the year 1835.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

GEO. BOMFORD,

*Col. of Ordnance.*

HON. LEWIS CASS, *Sec. of War.*

*STATEMENT of the operations of the Armory at Springfield, Massachusetts, during the year 1835.*

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ARMORY—Dr.		ARMORY—Cr.	
For value of public grounds, buildings, machinery, and other fixtures thereto, and of ordnance and ordnance stores of every description on hand, January 1st, 1835 -	\$2,361,454 67	By this am't expended on buildings, machinery, and fixtures	\$19,687 00
For value of supplies received at this armory from		By amount of articles fabricated during the year 1835:	
Watertown, 2,000 lbs. of powder at 20 cts. -	\$400 00	13,000 muskets, at \$10 93.1 -	\$142,103 07
30,000 flints at 50 cts. per M. -	15 00	13,727 wipers, at 13 -	1,784 51
	415 00	7,862 screw drivers, at 7 -	550 34
For value from N. P. Ames, 2,800 artillery swords, at \$4 25 -	\$11,900 00	1,361 ball screws, at 15 -	204 15
For value from N. P. Ames, 1,400 dragoon swords, at \$6 50 -	9,100 00	1,390 spring vices, at 35 -	486 50
	21,000 00	14,000 lead flint caps, at 1 -	140 00
For this amount expended under the appropriations -	\$161,532 41	By labor preparing, &c. arms for transportation not applicable to manufacturing arms -	145,268 57
Deduct amount received for house rents -	992 84	By value of supplies furnished to—	4 35
	160,539 57	General Nathaniel Johnson, muskets, &c. -	13,839 16
		Captain Charles Ward, muskets, &c. -	31,025 42
		Gen. H. Arecularius, artillery and dragoon swords -	5,433 50
		Gen. B. Peyton, do. do. -	3,825 00
		Messrs. Boyce, Henry, and Waller -	2,151 50
		Major H. K. Craig, dragoon sabres, musket and rifle balls, and powder -	3,437 50
		Harper's Ferry armory, rolled and slit iron, and rolling and slitting iron -	1,059 60
		By public lands, including water privilege, dams, and bridges, &c. -	20,000 00
		By buildings -	154,905 00
		By component parts of arms, &c. including refuse articles -	74,540 79
		By mortar eprouvette, bed and balls -	28 00
		By tools in current service -	44,561 77
		By amount of articles in store -	2,023,642 08
	2,543,409 24		2,543,409 24

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ORDNANCE OFFICE, June 30, 1836,

GEO. BOMFORD,  
Colonel of Ordnance.

*STATEMENT of the operations of the Armory at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, during the year 1833.*

ARMORY—Dr.		ARMORY—Cr.	
For value of unwrought materials on hand Dec. 31, 1834 -	\$54,024 02	By amount expended in permanent improvements, under special appropriations, for the completion of machinery in the three shops, &c. during the year 1835 -	\$8,794 80
For value of component parts of arms do. -	40,491 14	By amount expended during the year in permanent improvements, under special appropriations, for the completion of the forging shop, tilt hammer, &c. -	8,540 19½
For value of unwrought materials received from rifle factory 1st January, 1835 -	15,131 10	By amount expended during the year in permanent improvements, under special appropriation, for repairs and extension of Potomac dam -	342 50
For value of Ordnance stores received from Pikesville arsenal -	100 00	By amount expended during the year in permanent improvements, under special appropriation, for erection of store-house for iron and pit coal, &c. -	726 05
For value of Ordnance stores received from Washington arsenal -	450 00	By amount expended during the year under the appropriation for National armories, as follows, viz:	
By amount of all payments made by the paymaster of the armory during the year 1835, for all purposes -	\$181,000 13	in permanent improvements -	\$1,513 37
Deduct amount of rents received -	3,014 31	at tilt hammer shop -	3,515 56½
	177,985 82	miscellaneous -	1,487 46
		amount expended on model muskets -	5,944 55
		10,000 muskets complete, at \$10 78.6073 -	107,860 73½
		2,000 flint caps, at 1 cent -	20 00
		amount expended during the year in the manufacture of Hall's rifle -	*30,679 61½
			151,021 29½
		By amount of materials and unserviceable component parts, in charge of military store-keeper -	67,689 30
		By amount of sales of condemned stores pertaining to the musket factory, on the 27th October, 1835 -	18,006 68
		By amount of component parts of muskets and materials in the current service of the musket factory, Dec. 31, 1835 -	32,796 43½
		By amount paid E. T. Elicot by authority of the Ordnance Department, on account of liabilities incurred by this armory in 1829 -	264 82
			288,182 08
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\*Statement in detail of the rifles, &c. manufactured at Hall's rifle factory, as per report of the directors:

1,714 rifles	at \$15 70	\$26,919 85
3,489 bayonets	at 1 17	4,082 13
1,714 wipers	at 20	325 66
1,714 screw drivers	at 08	137 12
171 bullet moulds	at 40	68 40
171 spring vices	at 26	44 46

\$31,577 62

STATEMENT of the expenditures made at the National armories, and of the arms, &c. manufactured during the year 1835.

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ARMORIES.	EXPENDITURES.					ARMS, &c. MANUFACTURED.								
	For buildings, canals, and other permanent improvements.	For the manufacture of arms.	For the manufacture of Hall's rifle.	For miscellaneous expenses not embraced in the foregoing.	Total amount expended.	Muskets, complete.	Hall's rifles.	Screw drivers.	Wipers.	Ball screws.	Spring vices.	Flint caps.	Bayonets for Hall's rifles.	Bullet moulds.
Springfield -	\$19,687 00	\$145,268 57	-	\$4 35	\$164,959 92	13,000	-	7,862	13,727	1,361	1,390	14,000		
Harper's Ferry	23,432 47	107,880 73	\$30,679 61½	7,696 83	169,689 64	10,000	1,714*	1,714*	1,714*	-	171*	2,000	3,489*	171*
	43,119 47	253,149 30	30,679 61½	7,700 18	334,649 56	23,000	1,714	9,576	15,441	1,361	1,561	16,000	3,489	171

All marked thus (\*) manufactured at Hall's rifle factory.

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*STATEMENT of the operations of Hall's rifle factory, at Harper's Ferry armory, during the year 1835.*

RIFLE FACTORY—Dr.		RIFLE FACTORY—Cr.	
For value of component parts of rifles; component parts of ammunition flasks; unwrought materials; unserviceable component parts, and unserviceable materials, on hand 31st Dec. 1834	\$68,335 47	By amount expended on permanent improvements	\$5,788 03
For amount expended during the last year, comprising all the payments made by the paymaster for the rifle factory	\$23,668 99	By value of unwrought materials, unserviceable materials, and unserviceable component parts, delivered to the military store-keeper 31st December, 1834	18,494 11
From which deduct rents received	146 25	By value of rifles delivered into the arsenal at this place, viz:	
	23,522 74	1,714 rifles, at \$15 70	\$26,919 85
		3,489 bayonets, at 1 17	4,082 13
		1,714 screw drivers, at 08	137 12
		1,714 wipers, at 20	325 66
		171 bullet moulds, at 40	68 40
For amount of articles received from the military store-keeper's office	7,156 87	171 spring vices, at 26	44 46
			31,577 62
		By value of component parts of rifles, component parts of ammunition flasks, unserviceable parts of rifles, accumulated in 1835, and unwrought materials accumulated in 1835, on hand 31st December, 1835	41,537 93
		By value of unwrought materials on hand, Dec. 31, 1835	1,617 39
	99,015 08		99,015 08

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